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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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In re Application of  
Coffman et al.

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For  
METHOD FOR DETERMINING AND MAINTAINING...

Group Art Unit  
2654

Examiner  
Armstrong, A.A.

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows  
(check time period desired):

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